

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 98-2-9**

Date Prepared: February 5, 1998
For Work Week Commencing: February 9, 1998
Business Meeting Date & Time: February 9, 1998, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, placed on the state electronic bulletin board, and posted to the PSC's world wide web site at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. PSC Universal Service Cost Model Docket D97.9.167 - Discuss/vote on AT&T's objection to USWC's data requests filed January 29 (2/10/98)
2. Weekly Scheduling Meeting - Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.1.11 (Bonnie)

On January 23, 1998, US West filed Transmittal 98-3, Phone Improvement Promotion. The promotion will be available from February 23, 1998 through April 3, 1998 to new and existing residence and business customers who subscribe to any of the eligible services during the promotional period. The offering includes waiver of non-recurring charges and for some services waiver of one month of recurring services and for toll services a bill credit.

Consumer offer: Flat Exchange Lines, Custom Calling Services, CLASS features, US WEST Custom Ringing, The Real Deal Package, 800 ServiceLine, and Optional US WEST Intralata Calling Plans.

Business Offer: Flat Business Exchange Access Lines, Centrex 21 lines, Custom Calling Services, Custom Calling Packages, The Call Manager Connection, Customized Call Management Services, US WEST Custom Ringing, Hunting, Optional US WEST intralata Calling Plans, 800 ServiceLine and Start-up and Upgrade Business Packages.

2. SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY - Docket N98.1.13 (Vicki)

On January 24, 1998, Sprint filed tariff pages to separate Sprint residential and business usage rate tables; rename Business Sprint Service to Business MTS; and increase and decrease Business MTS usage rates.

3. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.1.9 (Vicki)

On January 24, 1998, US West filed tariff pages to introduce the CustomChoice Package. The package will include a flat rated access line (IFR) and the customer's choice of one or more of various features, with the ability to add Voice Messaging to the package. The package will be advertised at a monthly rate of \$29 and if the customer adds Voice Messaging the monthly rate is \$34.90.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. CENTRAL MONTANA COMMUNICATIONS, INC. - Docket N98.2.20 (Nina)

On February 2, 1998, Central Montana Communications, Inc., filed tariff pages to modify the CMC tariff. The changes affect Internet Rates and Conditions as follows: (1) the \$10.00 Internet Access Plan1 (1st 10 hrs. of usage) has been moved to an obsolete service; and (2) both the Documentation Charge, and the Internet Access Plan 1, Commercial Account (1st 100 hrs.) have been discontinued, since they have no bearing on dial-up access.

2. WORLDCOM NETWORK SERVICES, INC. - Docket N98.1.16 (Nina)

On January 29, 1998, WorldCom Network Services, Inc., filed Advice Letter 98-2, canceling it's name d/b/a Wiltel Network Services. All business will be conducted as WorldCom Network Services, Inc.

3. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.1.19 (Vicki)

On January 29, 1998, MCI filed tariff changes to extend the Vnet Short Haul and networkMCI One Short Haul Promotions.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 98-2-17

Docket N98.2.20	CENTRAL MONTANA COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Nina)
Docket N98.1.16	WORLDCOM NETWORK SERVICES, INC. (Nina)
Docket N98.1.19	MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS (Vicki)

New Filings Received in Past Week

Docket D98.1.15	USWC - Firstel and USWC Resale Agreement
Docket N98.1.16	WorldCom Technologies - Name Change - Delete dba WilTel Network

- Docket N98.1.17 Hill County Electric Cooperative - Notice of Exemption
- Docket N98.1.18 Mid-Yellowstone Electric Cooperative - Notice of Exemption
- Docket N98.1.19 MCI - Revise structure and usage rates for various services and promos
- Docket N98.2.20 Central Montana Communications - Revisions to Internet Service
- Docket N98.2.21 Park Electric Cooperative - Notice of Exemption